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1. THE CITIZEN, JOHANNESBURG, THURSDAY JULY 21, UNDER THE BY-LINE AIDA PARKER, CONTINUES ITS SERIES ON THE SECRET US WAR AGAINST S.A. AS FOLLOWS:
QUOTE CAMPAIGN TO BAR SA FROM ALL SPORT BY 1980. SOUTH AFRICA WILL HAVE TO MOVE - AND MOVE FAST - IF IT IS NOT TO FACE " TOTAL AND COMPLETE" EXCLUSION FROM WORLD SPORT BEFORE THE 1980 MOSCOW OLYMPIC GAMES.

THAT IS THE TARGET DATE LAID DOWN FOR A US AND GLOBAL SPORTS BOYCOTT AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA NOW BEING SWUNG INTO ACTION BY TWO FORMIDABLE NEW US SELF-STYLED TASK FORCES.

THEY ARE GROUP ACTION COMPRISING 74 MILITANT AND WELL-FUNDED US ANTI-SOUTH AFRICAN ORGANISATIONS, AND ACCESS, THE RECENTLY-FORMED AMERICAN COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR EQUALITY IN SPORT.
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THIS IS THE FIRST FULLY CO-ORDINATED AMERICAN CAMPAIGN AGAINST SOUTH AFRICAN SPORTING LINKS. PREVIOUS PROTESTS WERE MOSTLY INDIVIDUAL GROUP EFFORTS.

ONSLAUGHT. ACCORDING TO ITS CAMPAIGN PROGRAM, ACCESS WILL MAKE TENNIS ITS NO. 1 ONSLAUGHT PRIORITY. ITS FIRST MAJOR DEMONSTRATIONS ARE LIKELY TO CENTER ON THE US OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

AT FOREST HILLS, NEW YORK FROM AUGUST 31 TO SEPTEMBER
11.

SOUTH AFRICAN STARS DUE TO PLAY AT FOREST HILLS THIS YEAR
INCLUDE RAY MOORE, CLIFF DRYSDALE, BERNIE MITTON, BYRON
BERTRAM, FREW MCMILLAN, BOB HEWITT, DEON JOUBERT
AND WILLEM PRINSLOO. WOMEN PLAYERS INCLUDE MARISE KRUGER,
LINKY BOSHOFF, BRIGITTE CUYPERS, GREER STEVENS, ILLANA KLOSS,
YVONNE VERMAAK AND TANYA HARFORD.

SOUTH AFRICANS SHOULD NOT REGARD THE NEW TREAT AS EXAGGERATED.

NOT ONLY DO THE CAMPAIGNERS INCLUDE SOME OF THE MOST POWERFUL
ACTION GROUPS IN THE US BUT THERE IS GOOD REASON TO BELIEVE
THAT THEIR MOVEMENT HAS BEEN SYMPATHETICALLY RECEIVED BY THE
WHITE HOUSE.

MORE PARTICULARLY, ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN ADVISERS IS
ACADEMIC-TURNED ACTIVIST DENNIS BRUTUS WHO A COLORED POET,
FORMER CAPE TOWN TEACHER AND FOUNDER OF SANROC (SOUTH AFRICAN
NON-RACIAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE)

BRUTUS , ONE OF THE MOST SKILLED OF INTERNATIONAL OPERATORS
AND LOBBYISTS AND A FAR MORE EFFECTIVE CAMPAIGNER THAN
PETER HAIN, HAS IN RECENT YEARS SUCCEEDED IN GETTING SOUTH
AFRICA KICKED OUT OF:
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THE OLYMPICS, FIFA, THE WORLD SOCCER BODY, WORLD ATHLETICS
AND INTERNATIONAL CRICKET AND RUGBY.

ALTHOUGH HENNHANNED IN SOUTH AFRICA IN 1962 UNDER THE
SUPPRESSION OF COMMUNISM ACT, THERE IS NO REAL REASON TO BELIEVE
BRUTUS IS A COMMUNIST. THE EVIDENCE POINTS TO HIS BEING A
CIA MAN.

HIS FIRST WORK WAS PUBLISHED BY THE MBARI WRITERS AND ARTISTS'
CLUB, AN OBSCURE ORGANIZATION MAINTAINED BY CIA FUNDS THROUGH
THE FARFIELD FOUNDATION. TWO OF HIS CLOSEST ASSOCIATES IN
SOUTH AFRICA WERE RANDOLPH VIGNE AND NEVILLE RUBIN, BOTH
RECIPIENTS OF CIA FUNDS THROUGH THE FARFIELD FOUNDATION.
MANY OF HIS AMERICAN ASSOCIATIONS SHOW CIA CONNECTIONS.

ALTHOUGH AS YET ALMOST COMPLETELY UNKNOWN TO MOST SOUTH
AFRICAN SPORTSMEN, ACCESS FIELDS SOME IMPOSING SPONSORS.
HONORARY CHAIRMAN IS LESLIE O HARRIMAN, NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR
TO THE UN AND CHAIRMAN OF THE UN SPECIAL COMMITTEE
AGAINST APARTHEID.

SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE: THE AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE, RECIPIENT OF CIA FUNDS THROUGH VARIOUS US FOUNDATIONS, INCLUDING FORD AND ROCKEFELLER; THE AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON AFRICA, 20,000 MEMBERS, ANOTHER CIA CONDUIT; THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE; AMERICANS FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION; ARENA, THE INSTITUTE FOR SPORT AND SOCIAL ANALYSIS; CLERGY AND LAITY CONCERNED; GRAY PANTHERS; METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL ACTION; OPERATION PUSH (PEOPLE UNITED TO SAVE HUMANITY); WOMEN'S DIVISION OF GLOBAL MINISTRIES; SOUTH AFRICAN STUDENTS MOVEMENT; SPORTS FOR THE PEOPLE; WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM; AND COALITION OF CONCERNED BLACK AMERICANS.

CAMPAIGN. ACCESS CO-ORDINATOR IS PROFESSOR RICHARD E. UNCLASSIFIED

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LAPCHICK, DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, VIRGINIA WESLEYAN COLLEGE, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA. LAPCHICJ RECENTLY GAINED HIS PH D ON A THESIS ANALYSING THE STRUCTURE OF SOUTH AFRICAN SPORT.

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OUTLINING HIS CAMPAIGN PROGRAM, LAPCHICK SAYS: ACCESS WILL USE ITS NETWORK TO ATTEMPT TO BLOCK ANY AND ALL COMPETITION WITH SOUTH AFRICA. WHILE A MAJOR EFFORT WILL BE UNDERTAKEN IN TENNIS, ATTACKS WILL BE MADE IN ALL SPORTS. TACTICS WILL INCLUDE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, MAKING PRESENTATION TO THE SPONSORING SPORTS FEDERATIONS, LETTER-WRITING CAMPAIGNS, TV, RADIO AND NEWSPAPER INTERVIEWS AND IN SOME CASES, NON-VIOLENT, DIRECT ACTION CAMPAIGNS.

LAPSHICK SAYS THAT PLANS ARE WELL AHEAD TO LINK IN THE US ANTI-SOUTH AFRICAN SPORTS BOYCOTT WITH SIMILAR EFFORTS IN BRITAIN, AUSTRALIA, FRANCE, NEW ZEALAND, NORWAY, SWITZERLAND, DENMARK, IRELAND, SRI LANKA AND IN AFRICAN STATES THROUGH THE OAU.

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THE DAYS OF APARTHEID SPORTS TEAMS COMPETING INTERNATIONALLY ARE NUMBERED, HE CLAIMS.

SOUTH AFRICAN PARTICIPATION IN US SPORT IS BEING RAPIDLY WHIPPED UP INTO A HIGHLY EMOTIVE POLITICAL ISSUE BY US NEGRO SPOKESMEN.

DR. JEWELL HANDY GRESHAM, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COALITION OF CONCERNED BLACK AMERICANS, DESCRIBED AS A VOLUNTEER GROUP OF BLACK ACADEMICS, LAWYERS, CHURCHMEN AND COMMUNITY GROUPS CONCERNED WITH CRITICAL ISSUES AFFECTING BLACK CITIZENS, SAYS IN AN OFFICIAL PRESS RELEASE:

AMERICAN TENNIS INTERESTS ARE ON COLLISION COURSE WITH THE BLACK COMMUNITY AND WIDER SUPPORTING PUBLIC IF EFFORTS CONTINUE TO BE PRESSED BY THE US TENNIS ASSOCIATION AND ITS PARENT ORGANIZATION, THE INTERNATIONAL LAWN TENNIS FEDERATION, TO FORCE THE ACCEPTANCE OF ALL-WHITE SOUTH AFRICAN PLAYERS IN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION ON AMERICAN SOIL.

DR. GRESHAM, A WOMAN PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH DISCLOSES THAT CCBA HAS ALREADY BEGUN NEGOTIATION WITH THE US STATE DEPARTMENT.

MR. EDMUNDSON OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS MADE THE POINT... THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS THE POWER, BY

PROCLAMATION, TO SUSPEND ADMISSION OF ANY ALIENS INTO
THIS COUNTRY IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST.

WHILE WE DO NOT WANT TO SEE ACCESS DENIED PEOPLE FROM
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ANY COUNTRY TO VISIT AND PARTICIPATE IN OUR NATIONAL
LIFE, WE CAN HARDLY ACCEPT SUCH A SITUATION IN WHICH
THE SAME PRIVILEGES ARE NOT RECIPROCAL FOR US AT THE
SAME TIME THAT THE LIFESTYLE OF THE OFFENDING COUNTRY
IS OPENLY BASED IN THE RUTHLESS CONTROL OF MILLIONS OF
BLACK MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

SINCE THE US TENNIS OPEN IS COMING UP IN FOREST HILLS
LATE IN AUGUST, WE COULD HOPE THAT THE PRESIDENT WOULD
SEE FIT TO EXERT HIS POWER OF PROCLAMATION IF THE
INTERNATIONAL LAWN TENNIS FEDERATION HAS NOT VOLUNTARILY
ABANDONED ITS DISTRESSING COURSE.

GHETTOS. THE BLACK POPULATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
AUGMENTED BY THAT OF THE NEARBY CITIES AND SURROUNDING
SUBURBAN AREAS, PROBABLY FORMS THE LARGEST CONCENTRATION OF
BLACK PEOPLE IN THE WORLD.

THE GHETTOS OF OUR LARGE CITIES - TOGETHER WITH THE
EXCLUSIVENESS OF SUBURBIA - HAVE NOT YET BEEN TRANSFORMED
SUFFICIENTLY FOR OUR PRESIDENT TO RISK REMINDING US OF
OUR COMMON LOT WITH THE STRUGGLING OPPRESSED OF SOUTH AFRICA.

OBVIOUSLY WE NEED TO BE INSPIRED BY THE DEMONSTRABLE
EVIDENCE THAT OUR NATION WILL NOT IN THE FINAL QUARTER OF
THE 20TH CENTURY PLAY OF COLLABORATOR IN ANY FORM WITH
PRETORIA. JOHNSON

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